SUBJECT No. 149.

Schoolmasters in malnad.

Mr. Krishnappa, Koppa taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Though living in malnad is dearer than in maidan the pay of the schoolmasters in both parts is the same. An allowance may be given to malnad schoolmasters, or their pay raised to Rs. 15, as an inducement to make them stay longer in the malnad.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 150.

Scholarships and freeships to married boys.

Mr. Amble Anniah Pandit, Mysore City Municipal Council.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that a ruling may be made in the Education Department prohibiting grant of scholarships and freeships to those who marry before they are 16 years old and to those who consummate their marriage ceremony before they are 18 or 20 years old.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 151.

Optional subjects for the School Final Examination.

Messrs. Girmaji Rao and Chikka Ramanna, Kolar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The number of optional subjects for the School Final Examination is too many. The same may be reduced to two as in the Madras Presidency.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 152.

Facilities for taking optional subjects for the School Final Examination.

Messrs. Chikka Ramanna and Girmaji Rao, Kolar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—When a candidate has once been declared eligible for colleges and public service, facilities may be given him to appear in private, if he wishes to improve his optional subject.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 153.

Reduction of examinations in high school classes.

Messrs. A. Narasimhaiengar and H. Madhava Rao, Sagar taluk.

SUBJECT No. 154.

Removal of time limit for study in a class.

Messrs. B. Alasingrachar and Dodda Payanna, Hassan taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As per existing rules, any student who fails in his examination twice is not considered fit to study in the same school, and if he is unable to join any other school he should give up education altogether. This inconvenient rule may be done away with early.

Reply of Government.—Noted. Under the revised rules sanctioned in February 1913, boys in the A. V. and high school classes who fail twice in the same class examination may be permitted to remain in the same class of the school with the permission of the Inspecting Officer.

SUBJECT No. 155.

Employment of a Drill Instructor for every A. V. school.

(*a*) Mr. H. Gundappa, Kunigal taluk.

(*b*) Messrs. T. Ramachendra Rao and K. Puttappa, Bangalore District Board.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) In many schools due attention is not paid to drill. It is requested that a drill instructor be employed in every Anglo-Vernacular school. If not, teachers who have undergone training in modern methods may be employed to attend to this work, and an allowance given them for this special work.

(*b*) Requests that gymnastic instructors may be appointed in all Anglo-Vernacular schools.

Physical training stimulates the health of boys and keeps them from bad company.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 156.

Religious instruction in schools.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—No religious instruction should be given in Government schools. It may be left in the hands of the parents. The good work done in the way of tolerance among the various religious sects and communities during the last 80 years is being marred. The intention with which the Government have introduced it will never be attained.

Messrs. H. K. Veerabasaviah and Anniah Pandit supported the representation.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 157.

Conscience Clause in the Grant-in-aid Code.

Mr. C Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Provision may be made for the Conscience Clause in the Grant-in-aid Code for all aided schools and colleges in the State, so that all pupils attending such schools may have the benefit of such provision as obtains in similar institutions in British India for European and Eurasian pupils.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 158.

Eligibility of candidates who have passed the School Final Examination to appear for Pleadership Examination.

Messrs. M. Subba Rao, Hassan District Board, Dorasamiengar, Chamrajnagar taluk, Chikka Ramanna and Girmaji Rao, Kolar taluk, and Garudachar, Channapatna municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Rules under the Legal Practitioners' Regulation lay down that matriculates are entitled to appear for Pleadership Examination. Now the School Final Examination has replaced the Matriculation Examination and it is considered and recognized to be equivalent to it. It is therefore prayed that it may be laid down that students who have been declared eligible for public service, or for admission to Colleges in the School Final Examination, are eligible to appear for the 2nd Grade Pleadership Examination.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 159.

Accounts Examination books to be translated into Kannada.

Messrs. G. Sivaramaiya, Srikantiah and Narayana Setty, Maddagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It has been ordered that candidates who do not know English may appear for the Accounts Examination in Kannada, but the books prescribed for the examination have not been rendered into Kannada yet. They may be caused to be translated and made available for sale to enable candidates to appear for the examination in Kannada.

Reply of Government.—Noted.